

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

ROBERT SAMPSON, )  
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Petitioner,           )  
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v.                     )                   Case No. CIV-18-246-D  
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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, et al., )  
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Respondent.           )

**ORDER**

Petitioner, a state prisoner appearing pro se, filed an action for a writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The matter was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Bernard Jones for initial proceedings consistent with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b). Upon screening the petition, Judge Jones issued a Report and Recommendation (R&R or Report) [Doc. No. 8] in which he recommended that the action be dismissed under the *Younger* abstention doctrine.<sup>1</sup> Judge Jones advised Petitioner of his right to object to the Report and directed any objections be filed on or before May 29, 2018. R&R at 4. Judge Jones also advised Petitioner that any failure to object would

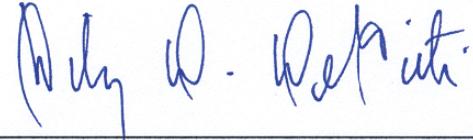
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<sup>1</sup> *Younger v. Harris*, 301 U.S. 37 (1971). *Younger* directs federal courts to, in the absence of extraordinary circumstances, refrain from interfering in ongoing state proceedings. *Columbian Fin. Corp. v. Stork*, 811 F.3d 390, 394-95 (10th Cir. 2016). Here, Judge Jones took judicial notice of Petitioner's state court records and found Petitioner had two pending applications for post-conviction relief. R&R at 2.

waive Petitioner's right to appellate review of the factual and legal issues addressed in the Report. *Id.*

Petitioner has neither filed an objection nor sought an extension of time to do so. Accordingly the R&R is **ADOPTED** as though fully set forth herein. A judgment shall be issued forthwith.

**IT IS SO ORDERED** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018.



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TIMOTHY D. DEGIUSTI  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE